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# AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

*Produced in*

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY**

**During 1969**



**County Department of Agriculture**

**EARL R. KALAR, Commissioner**

**Compiled by R. P. HENDERSON, Assistant Agricultural Commissioner**



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

Hans Heilmann, Chairman  
Atascadero

John V. Freeman  
San Luis Obispo

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Arroyo Grande

M. Roland Gates  
Paso Robles

Elston L. Kidwell  
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AND: Jerry W. Fielder, Director  
State Department of Agriculture

The 1969 gross agricultural production is a new San Luis Obispo County high of \$58,098,180, topping the previous record year of 1966 by almost two million dollars. This, also, is five million dollars higher than the average production value of the past ten years.

The 70's promise to be the decade of ENVIRONMENT AND ECOLOGY awareness. I know of no group more directly interested and concerned in these most essential matters than our agricultural community. This Department will strive to provide the direction and enforcement to fulfill our responsibilities pertaining to agricultural chemicals, to protect our citizens and resources. Our decisions will be based upon fact and the latest scientific knowledge, not on supposition or emotion.

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all firms and individuals who assisted in making this report possible.

Respectfully submitted,

*Earl R. Kalar*  
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Agricultural Commissioner

CROP	Year	PRODUCTION			Unit	Per Unit	VALUE	
		Planted	Acreage	Per Acre			Total	Total
Artichokes----	1969	--			23#		\$	--
	1968	37	160		Ctn	1.94		11,500
Beans, (Snap)-	1969	222	121		Cwt	16.60		446,000
	1968	148	150		Cwt	16.50		366,000
Beans,----- (Freezer)	1969	--						--
	1968	420	155		Ton	171.00		111,000
Broccoli-----	1969	2,745	68		Cwt	10.10		1,889,000
	1968	3,387	80		Cwt	8.48		2,298,000
Brussels----- Sprouts	1969	146	120		Cwt	13.10		229,000
	1968	184	125		Cwt	13.35		307,000
Cabbage-----	1969	315	245		Cwt	3.00		231,000
	1968	278	270		Cwt	2.90		218,000
Carrots-----	1969	226	360		Cwt	4.60		373,000
	1968	371	360		Cwt	4.15		556,000
Cauliflower---	1969	618	442		25#	3.07		838,000
	1968	652	360		Crate	2.70		634,000
Celery-----	1969	1,518	880		60#	3.75		5,010,000
	1968	1,729	850		Crate	2.60		3,822,000
Cucumbers-----	1969	47	680		32#	2.20		70,400
	1968	51	645		Lug	2.30		75,700
Lettuce-----	1969	4,486	625		48#	1.81		5,075,000
	1968	3,603	729		Ctn	1.68		4,432,000
Peas,----- (Edible Pod)	1969	586	17		Cwt	27.00		270,000
	1968	515	20		Cwt	26.50		273,000
Peas,----- (Green)	1969	210	28		Cwt	14.00		82,600
	1968	165	30		Cwt	15.00		74,200
Peppers----- (Bell)	1969	367	130		Cwt	10.35		494,000
	1968	178	101		Cwt	11.60		209,000
Potatoes-----	1969	259	360		Cwt	2.40		224,000
	1968	458	380		Cwt	2.65		461,000
Romaine-----	1969	803	700		68#	2.45		1,377,000
	1968	775	720		Crate	2.25		1,256,000
Spinach,----- (Processing)	1969	--						--
	1968	30	8.33		Ton	25.60		6,400
Tomatoes-----	1969	102	200		Cwt	11.10		226,000
	1968	113	190		Cwt	11.25		242,000
Miscellaneous--	1969	503						691,000
	1968	484						677,000
TOTAL	1969	13,153						\$17,526,000
VEGETABLE CROP	1968	13,578						16,029,800

CROP	Year	Harvested	PRODUCTION		Unit	Per Unit	VALUE	TYPE	Year	Number	Total	Unit	Per Unit	VALUE
		Acreage	Per Acre	Total			of Head			Production	Total			
Alfalfa Hay----	1969	12,900	5.0	64,500	Ton	27.50	\$1,774,000	Beef Cattle-----	1969	97,000	582,000	Cwt	27.50	\$16,005,000
	1968	13,200	5.6	73,920	Ton	26.00	1,922,000		1968	89,000	570,000	Cwt	23.80	13,566,000
Grain Hay-----	1969	57,000	1.4	79,800	Ton	24.00	1,915,000	Beef Cattle-----	1969	15,000	56,000	Cwt	28.70	1,607,000
	1968	59,000	1.6	94,400	Ton	23.00	2,171,000		1968	16,500	66,000	Cwt	25.75	1,699,000
Beans								Feed Lot-Out of County						
Small Whites--	1969	561	16	8,980	Cwt	10.10	90,700	Dairy Cows-----	1969	750		Each	375.00	281,000
	1968	730	17	12,410	Cwt	10.80	134,000		1968	900		Each	330.00	297,000
Pinks-----	1969	126	11	1,390	Cwt	8.60	12,000	Calves (Veal)---	1969	2,350	7,050	Cwt	30.20	213,000
	1968	147	12	1,764	Cwt	7.70	13,600		1968	2,200	6,600	Cwt	27.50	181,000
Garbanzo-----	1969	5,088	9	45,800	Cwt	13.00	595,000	Hogs-----	1969	5,300	10,900	Cwt	22.80	248,000
	1968	4,100	9	36,900	Cwt	13.50	498,000		1968	5,700	11,700	Cwt	19.10	223,000
Large Lima---	1969	246	17	4,180	Cwt	12.30	51,400	Chickens-----	1969	270,000	1,080,000	Lbs	.09	97,200
	1968	189	18	3,402	Cwt	17.30	58,800		1968	261,000	1,044,000	Lbs	.062	64,700
Miscellaneous--	1969	29	15	435	Cwt	8.70	3,780	Hatchery-----	1969		2,153,000	Each	.109	235,000
	1968	26	18	468	Cwt	8.50	3,980		1968		2,404,000	Each	.102	245,000
Corn, (Grain)--	1969	300	38	11,400	Cwt	2.50	28,500	Turkeys-----	1969	329,000	7,238,000	Lbs	.22	1,592,000
	1968	120	31	3,700	Cwt	2.53	9,060		1968	488,000	10,736,000	Lbs	.20	2,147,000
Corn,----- (Silage)	1969	1,250	28	35,000	Ton	8.00	280,000	Sheep and-----	1969	16,700	17,100	Cwt	24.00	410,000
	1968	1,450	31	44,950	Ton	8.00	360,000		1968	16,400	16,800	Cwt	20.71	348,000
Barley-----	1969	67,000	13.5	904,000	Cwt	2.37	2,142,000	Miscellaneous---	1969					90,000
	1968	63,000	17	1,071,000	Cwt	2.35	2,517,000		1968					85,000
Oats-----	1969	1,050	17	17,800	Cwt	2.15	38,300	TOTAL LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY	1969					\$20,778,200
	1968	1,202	18	21,636	Cwt	2.15	46,500		1968					18,855,700
LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS: Production and Value 1968-69														
Wheat-----	1969	62,000	10.8	670,000	Cwt	2.31	1,548,000	PRODUCT	Year	PRODUCTION		Unit	Per Unit	VALUE
	1968	63,900	10.6	677,340	Cwt	2.27	1,538,000			Total	Total			
Irrigated----- Pasture	1969	3,650			Acre	40.00	146,000	Market Milk-----	1969	599,000		Cwt	5.30	\$3,175,000
	1968	3,800			Acre	40.00	152,000		1968*	626,000		Cwt	5.00	3,140,000
Sugar Beets---	1969	3,478	20.1	69,900	Ton	13.49	943,000	Manufacturing---	1969	22,800		Cwt	4.07	92,800
	1968*	2,330	28.8	67,200	Ton	13.00	874,000		1968*	29,400		Cwt	3.95	116,000
Sugar Beet----	1969	1,200			Acre	10.00	12,000	Wool-----	1969	105,000		Lbs	.325	34,100
	1968	950			Acre	10.50	10,200		1968	111,000		Lbs	.33	36,600
Miscellaneous--	1969						400,000	Chicken Eggs						
	1968						590,000							
TOTAL FIELD CROPS	1969	215,878					\$ 9,979,680	1968	2,161,000			Doz	.283	611,000
	1968*	214,144					10,898,140	Hatching-----	1969	1,020,000		Doz	.66	673,000
SEED AND NURSERY STOCK 1968-69									1968	1,080,000			Doz	.65
CROP	Year	Harvested Acreage			Unit	Per Unit	VALUE	Turkey Eggs						
							Total							
Seed								Hatching-----	1969	252,000		Eggs	.23	58,000
Field Crop--- & Vegetable	1969	1,480					\$486,000	Honey-----	1969	648,000	Crop Failure	Lbs	.13	84,200
	1968	1,340					455,000							
Flower-----	1969	89			Acre	1,004.00	89,400	Miscellaneous---	1969					24,000
	1968	111			Acre	939.00	104,000							
Nursery and--- Cut Flowers	1969						94,000	TOTAL LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY PRODUCTS	1969					\$4,828,100
	1968						98,000							
TOTAL SEED AND NURSERY STOCK	1969	1,569					\$669,400	*Revised	1968*					4,789,600
	1968	1,451					657,000							





# FRUIT AND NUT CROPS: Acreage, Production, Value 1968-69

CROP	Year	Harvested Acreage	PRODUCTION		Unit	Per Unit	VALUE	
			Per Acre	Total			Total	
Almonds-----	1969	6,453	.256	1,650	Ton	597.00	\$ 985,000	
	1968	6,221	.511	3,180	Ton	582.00	1,851,000	
Apples-----	1969	170	3.1	527	Ton	95.00	50,100	
	1968	164	2.6	426	Ton	104.00	44,300	
Grapes-----	1969	542	1.55	840	Ton	102.00	85,700	
	1968	328	1.48	486	Ton	94.00	45,700	
Pears-----	1969	175	1.57	275	Ton	97.00	26,700	
	1968	175	1.48	259	Ton	115.00	29,800	
Walnuts-----	1969	1,422	.522	740	Ton	435.00	322,000	
	1968	1,387	.456	633	Ton	480.00	304,000	
Strawberries----	1969	210	33,500	7,035,000	Lbs	.22	1,548,000	
	1968	237	31,000	7,347,000	Lbs	.21	1,543,000	
Miscellaneous---	1969	380					46,000	
	1968	360					34,000	
TOTAL FRUIT	1969	9,352					\$3,063,500	

Year		Valuation
Soil Bank-----	1969	\$ 69,700
and Conser-	1968	187,000
vation Reserve		
Wool-----	1969	4,600
	1968	5,100
Wheat Payments---	1969	748,000
	1968	600,000
Feed Grain-----	1969	306,000
	1968	16,500
Sugar Beets-----	1969	125,000
	1968	119,000
TOTALS	1969	\$1,253,300
	1968	927,600

GRAND TOTAL OF ALL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS: Less Government Payments

Year	Acreage	Valuation
1969	239,952	\$56,844,880
*1968	238,045	55,082,040

COMPARISON OF THE VALUATIONS OF THE MAJOR GROUPS DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS:

	ANIMAL INDUSTRY	FIELD CROPS AND SEEDS	FRUIT & NUT CROPS	GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS	VEGETABLE CROPS	TOTAL VALUATIONS
1960-	27,351,000	8,580,800	2,402,000	584,700	11,045,400	\$49,963,900
1961-	28,373,300	7,465,000	2,469,700	588,500	12,310,700	51,007,200
1962-	29,680,700	12,151,900	1,108,300	443,900	11,077,000	54,461,800
1963-	28,402,900	13,717,800	2,918,700	682,400	9,390,700	55,112,500
1964-	22,395,600	10,712,800	2,261,900	1,237,900	10,975,900	47,584,100
1965-	23,032,800	11,200,000	1,904,000	1,127,000	13,917,000	51,180,800
1966-	25,891,100	11,143,400	2,236,000	1,238,800	15,540,000	56,049,300
1967-	22,445,700	13,065,180	2,895,800	883,500	16,497,600	55,787,780
*1968-	23,645,300	11,555,140	3,851,800	927,600	16,029,800	56,009,640
1969-	25,606,300	10,649,080	3,063,500	1,253,300	17,526,000	58,098,180

\*Revised